States have devolved powers upon Panchayats including Panchayats in Scheduled V Areas in varying degrees. The Central Government have been urging the States and UTs in this behalf including through high level discussions. Based on a resolution adopted in the All India Panchayat Adhyakshas Sammelan held in April, 2002 at New Delhi, the State Governments and UT Administrations have been advised to devolve funds, functions and functionaries by the end of December 2002.

Grants to Girls Educational complexes in Madhya Pradesh

†2037. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the districts in Madhya Pradesh having tribal women literacy where Girls Educational Complexes are running and since when;

(b) the names of the institutions in respect of which grants have not been sanctioned, so far, despite Collector's and State Government's recommendations in the matter;

(c) whether cent per cent grant is given to the said institutions by Government;

(d) if so, the details of norms followed in sanctioning of grants;

(e) whether there is any time limit for sanctioning these grants; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The district-wise and year-wise details of Educational Complexes sanctioned in Madhya Pradesh are at Statement-I (*See* below).

(b) The names of the institutions is at Statement-II (*See* below).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The institutions are provided with financial assistance @ Rs.9000/- per student per annum towards recurring expenses. Besides, an additional amount of Rs.1000/-per student for five years is also given to new students for purchase of utensils and bedding material, as non-recurring expenses. Further, an amount ranging between Rs.4000/- P.M. and Rs.10,000/- P.M.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(Depending upon the number of students in the complex) is also released towards rent for the building used for the Educational Complex.

(e) and (f) The proposals for grants are processed in consultation with the Integrated Finance Division immediately on receipt of inspection/ recommendation of the State Government with complete proposals of the organization. Since the State Government keep on sending such proposals throughout the year, the fixing of a time-limit at the Ministry level is not possible.

Statement-I

District-wise and year-wise number of Educational complexes sanctioned in Madhya Pradesh:

S.No.	Name of District	Year-wise Sanctioned					
		1997-98	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	Total
1.	Satna	2	-	-	-	-	2
2.	Mandla	-	-	1	-	-	1
3.	Tikamgarh	-	-	1	-	-	1
4.	Jabalpur	-	1	2	-	-	3
5.	Bhopal	1	-	2	-	-	3
6.	Jhabua	2	-	1	-	-	3
7.	Shivpuri	-	-	1	-	-	1
8.	Badwani	-	1	-	-	-	1
9.	Indore	1	-	-	-	-	1
10.	Shahdol	3	-	-	-	-	3
11.	Rewa	-	-	1	-	-	1
12.	Guna	-	-	-	1	-	1
13.	Raisen	3	-	-	-	-	3
14.	Sidhi	1	-	-	-	-	1
15.	Morena	-	-	1	-	-	1
16.	Sehopur Kalan	-	-	1	-	-	1
	Total	**13***	**2**	**11**	**1**	**-**	**27**

*One Sanctioned during 1993-94 & another two during 1997-98.

Statement-II

Name of the institutions whom grants has not been released despite of receipt of Collector's/State Government recommendation.

1. Adarsh Shiksha Samiti,
   Bakia, District Satna,
   Madhya Pradesh (New Name-Lok Shikshan Sanstha)
2. Rural Development Service Society,
   Silwani, Raisen District,
   Madhya Pradesh.
3. Savya Sanchi Centre for Urban and Rural Development,
   District Sidhi, Madhya Pradesh.
4. Rajendra Ashram Trust,
   Kathiwada, District Jhabua,
   Madhya Pradesh.

Development of Tribal Population

2038. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the main thrust of the present policy of tribal development is to assimilate the tribals in mainstream culture of the country;

(b) whether it would not destroy the very culture of these tribals which they have been preserving for thousands of years; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to save the tribal culture and at the same time to bring them in the mainstream of the country?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The main thrust of the present policy of tribal development is to bring the tribals into the mainstream economy through socio-economic developmental programmes, while simultaneously retaining their culture and traditions to suit their own genius.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.